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PAPUA NEW GUINEA, AND KUWAIT

1. SUMMARY: UNSSOD CONTINUED ON THE AFTERNOON OF JUNE 2 WITH
STATEMENTS BY GHANA, BYELORUSSIA, BELGIUM, PAPUA NEW
GUINEA, AND KUWAIT. GHANA AND KUWAIT MADE STATEMENTS TYPICAL
OF THE NON-ALIGNED GROUP; BYELORUSSIA PREDICTABLY ECHOED
THE SOVIET LINE; BELGIUM MADE A STATEMENT TYPICAL OF A
NON-NUCLEAR NATO MEMBER; AND PAPUA NEW GUINEA MADE A TYPI-
CALLY SMALL STATE SPEECH AND CALLED FOR A NUCLEAR-FREE
ZONE IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC. END SUMMARY.

2. COMMISSIONER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS R.J.A. FELLI OF GHANA
MADE A CONVENTIONAL NON-ALIGNED STATEMENT. HE DEPLORED THE
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LACK OF RESULTS IN DISARMAMENT EFFORTS. HE COMPLAINED
THAT THE INTERNATIONAL HOT-BEDS OF CONFLICT WERE CONCEN-
TRATED IN AFRICA MORE THAN ON ANY OTHER CONTINENT, AND HE
NOTED THAT AFRICA AND AFRICANS CONTINUED TO BE THE TRAGIC
VICTIMS OF ARMS SUPPLIED FROM OUTSIDE THE CONTINENT. HE
MADE THE STANDARD ATTACKS ON THE "THRESHOLD OF A NUCLEAR-
WEAPON CAPABILITY." HE CALLED FOR EFFORTS TO

INTENSIFY ECONOMIC AND MILITARY SANCTIONS AGAINST SOUTH AFRICA UNDER CHAPTER VII OF THE UN CHARTER. FELLI URGED MEMBER STATES TO PLACE AT THE DISPOSAL OF THE UN MANPOWER NECESSARY FOR AN INTERNATIONAL PEACE FORCE. HE ALSO PROPOSED THAT "A SUPREME UNITED NATIONS BODY ACCESSIBLE TO ALL MEMBERS BE IMMEDIATELY CREATED TO COORDINATE ALL ACTIVITIES" IN THE FIELD OF DISARMAMENT. FELLI SUPPORTED THE CREATION OF AN INTERNATIONAL SATELLITE MONITORING AGENCY. HE CALLED ON THE NUCLEAR POWERS TO UNDERTAKE NOT TO USE NUCLEAR WEAPONS ON ANY NON-NUCLEAR COUNTRY AND TO ADHERE SCRUPULOUSLY TO THE DESIRE OF GEOGRAPHICAL AREAS TO REMAIN NUCLEAR FREE ZONES. FELLI MADE THE STANDARD LINK BETWEEN DISARMAMENT AND DEVELOPMENT, AND HE ALSO CALLED FOR "THE IMMEDIATE ESTABLISHMENT OF A DISARMAMENT FUND INTO WHICH WE CAN ALL CONTRIBUTE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH A SCALE OF CONTRIBUTION TO BE AGREED UPON, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADVANCING THE IMPORTANT DECISIONS TO BE TAKEN."

3. FOREIGN MINISTER ANATOLY E. GURINOVICH OF BYELORUSSIA PREDICTABLY ECHOED SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER GROMYKO'S THEMES. HE REFERRED TO THE NEUTRON BOMB AS A "NEW, ESPECIALLY INHUMANE MEANS OF MASS ANNIHILATION OF PEOPLE," AND HE REITERATED THE SOVIET LINE THAT SOVIET UNION WOULD NOT PROCEED TO THE PRODUCTION OF NEUTRON WEAPONS IF THE UNITED STATES DID NOT DO SO. GURINOVICH
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ALSO DECLARED THAT "THE WHIPPING-UP OF WAR HYSTERIA, THE ATTEMPTS TO SUBSTITUTE ARMS CONTROL FOR DISARMAMENT, THE INCREASE OF MILITARY EXPENDITURES, THE LAYING OF ONE'S OWN FAULT AT SOMEBODY ELSE'S DOOR ARE INCOMPATIBLE WITH THE PURPOSES OF DISARMAMENT." GURINOVICH BACKED GROMYKO'S DISARMAMENT PROPOSALS POINT FOR POINT. ON THE QUESTION OF MACHINERY HE SAID THAT THE SPECIAL SESSION "SHOULD NOT BREAK THE EXISTING MACHINERY OF NEGOTIATIONS BUT SHOULD CONTRIBUTE TO THE EFFICIENCY OF THAT MACHINERY." HE NOTED THAT BYELORUSSIA REGARDED THE SPECIAL SESSION AS AN IMPORTANT STAGE ON THE WAY TO THE WORLD DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE.

4. FOREIGN MINISTER HENRI SIMONET OF BELGIUM MADE A STATEMENT TYPICAL OF A NON-NUCLEAR NATO MEMBER. HE WARNED AGAINST THE DANGER OF "MAXIMALISM," FOR GENERAL AND COMPLETE DISARMAMENT IS NOT A REALITY WITHIN REACH. BUT HE ALSO WARNED AGAINST POLITICAL SKEPTICISM. SIMONET ASSERTED THAT AT EACH STAGE OF DISARMAMENT, A LEVEL OF SECURITY--NOT DECREASED BUT EVEN STRENGTHENED--WOULD HAVE TO BE MAINTAINED BY ALL PARTIES. HE STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF ADEQUATE VERIFICATION SAD THAT MORE OFTEN THAN NOT

VERIFICATION WILL HAVE TO INCLUDE MEASURES OF AN INTERNATIONAL NATURE. SIMONET ASSERT THAT THE PROGRAM OF ACTION SHOULD DEMAND THE REDUCTION IN NUCLEAR STOCKPILES WITH A VIEW TO THEIR PROGRESSIVE ELIMINATION, AND HE SAID THAT SALT II SHOULD BE FOLLOWED BY SALT III NEGOTIATIONS CONCERNING SUBSTANTIAL REDUCTIONS IN THE CAPACITY OF THE SUPER-POWERS. HE ALSO SAID THAT NUCLEAR POWERS MUST BE WILLING TO GRANT SECURITY GUARANTEES TO STATES WHICH HAD RENOUNCED NUCLEAR WEAPONS. SIMONET POINTED OUT THAT EUROPE IS A REGION IN WHICH NUCLEAR AND CONVENTIONAL COMPOSITES ARE INDISSOLUBLY LINKED, AND HE NOTED THAT THE PRESENT SITUATION IS CHARACTERIZED BY A CONSIDERABLE LACK

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OF BALANCE IN CONVENTIONAL FORCES. HE SUGGESTED THAT A REGIONAL APPROACH COULD BRING ABOUT THE BEGINNING OF A SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEM OF ARMS TRANSFERS. ON MACHINERY SIMONET ASSERTED THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S FIRST COMMITTEE SHOULD BE THE ORGAN IN WHICH THE COMMUNITY OF NATIONS COULD DISCUSS THE PROBLEM OF DISARMAMENT. HE ALSO ASSERTED THAT THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY MUST HAVE A FORUM OF NEGOTIATION INCLUDING THE PARTICIPATION OF ALL NUCLEAR POWERS AND ALL THOSE WHO COULD CONTRIBUTE TO THE PROGRESS OF DISARMAMENT; HE SAID THAT THE CCD DID NOT FILL THESE CRITERIA. HE MAINTAINED THAT THE PRESENT

CCD STRUCTURE, PARTICULARLY THE SYSTEM OF CO-CHAIRMANSHIP,
DOES NOT CORRESPOND TO PRESENT POLITICAL FACTS AND
APPEARS TO BE AN OBSTACLE IN TERMS OF PARTICIPATION.

5. AMB. TO THE UN PAULIAS NGUNA MATANE OF PAPUA
NEW GUINEA TOOK A STANDARD SMALL STATE APPROACH AND
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EMPHASIZED THE SOCIAL COSTS OF THE ARMS RACE. HE OPPOSED
VERTICAL AND HORIZONTAL NUCLEAR PROLIFERATION. HE NOTED
THAT THE PACIFIC NATIONS HAD "EXPRESSED THEIR TOTAL OPPO-
SITION TO NUCLEAR TESTING IN THE PACIFIC" AND HAD ALWAYS
EMPHASIZED THAT "THE PACIFIC OCEAN BE DECLARED A NUCLEAR-
FREE ZONE."

6. AMB. TO THE UN ABDALLA YACIOUB BISHARA OF KUWAIT TOOK
AN APPROACH TYPICAL OF THE NON-ALIGNED GROUP. HE EMPHASIZED
THE SOCIAL COSTS OF HEAVY MILITARY SPENDING, AND HE SUGGEST-
ED THAT THERE SHOULD BE A RELEASE OF AT LEAST A CERTAIN
PERCENTAGE OF FUNDS EARMARKED FOR ARMS TO MEET THE NEEDS
OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. BISHARA ALSO LAUNCHED A
STANDARD ARAB ATTACK ON ISRAEL, AND HE REGRETTED THAT ISRAEL
HAD FRUSTRATED THE CREATION OF A NUCLEAR-WEAPON-FREE
ZONE IN THE MIDDLE EAST "IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN ITS MILITARY
SUPERIORITY AND ITS MILITARY PRESENCE IN OCCUPIED ARAB
TERRITORIES." BISHARA LOOKED FORWARD TO A CON-
FERENCE ON THE INDIAN OCEAN WITH A VIEW TO "HALTING THE
FURTHER ESCALATION AND EXPANSION OF GREAT-POWER MILITARY
PRESENCE IN THE INDIAN OCEAN" AND ALSO ELIMINATING ALL
BASES, NUCLEAR WEAPONS, WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION, AND
ANY MANIFESTATION OF GREAT-POWER MILITARY PRE-
SENCE. ON THE QUESTION OF MACHINERY BISHAR ASSERTED THAT
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHOULD BE THE MAIN DISARMAMENT FORUM
AND THE MAIN FRAMEWORK FOR DISARMAMENT NEGOTIATIONS.
HE SAID THAT IF THE CCD WERE TO REMAIN, AN ORGANIC LINK
MUST BE ESTABLISHED BETWEEN THAT BODY AND THE GENERAL
ASSEMBLY. BISHARA MAINTAINED THAT ALL MEMBER STATES SHOULD
BE ALLOWED TO SUBMIT TO THE CCD DISARMAMENT PROPOSALS AND
TO ATTEND MEETINGS OF THE CCD WORKING BODIES WHENEVER SUCH
PROPOSALS WOULD BE EXAMINED. YOUNG

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